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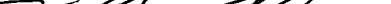
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
MAILED OCTOBER 21, 2005

REMARKS

The Examiner's Office action mailed October 10, 2005, has been reviewed. In response thereto, the Applicants submit this Response.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

The Examiner rejected claims 1, 4, 5-11 and 35-37 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by U.S. Patent Application No. 2004/0188142 listing Self et al. as inventors (hereinafter "the Self Application"). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of this rejection.

The Examiner cited the Self Application as prior art based upon its earlier effective U.S. filing date. The Self Application does not have an earlier effective filing date. The Self Application's effective U.S. filing date is March 31, 2003. The present application claims priority of U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No.: 60/429,097 filed November 26, 2002. Thus, the effective filing date of the present application is prior to the Self Application. Because the present application has a filing date prior to the Self Application, the Self